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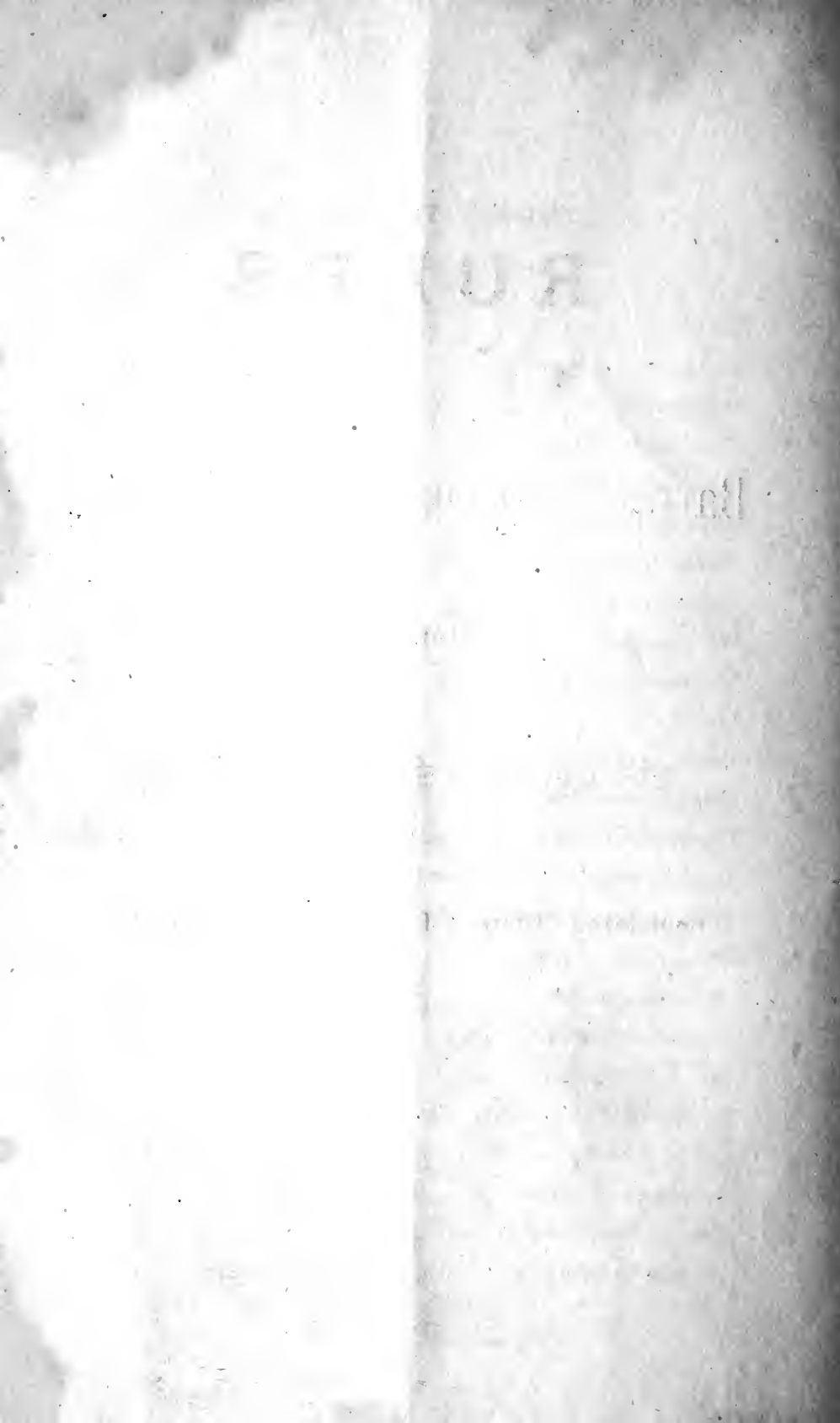
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AMENDED RULES

OF THE

BARROW CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.



All previous Rules are rescinded.

Name.

1.—This Society shall be called the “BARROW CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LIMITED.”

Objects.

2.—The object of this Society is to carry on wholesale and retail the trades of general dealers and manufacturers, also of the buying and selling of land. The Society shall have full powers to purchase, hold, sell, mortgage, rent, lease or sub-lease lands of any tenure, and to erect, pull down, repair or alter, or otherwise deal with any building thereon, subject to the approval of a General Meeting.

Registered Office.

3.—The Registered Office of the Society shall be 100, Church Street, Barrow-in-Furness, in the County of Lancaster, or such other place as the Committee of Management shall from time to time appoint, and at such place all the books of accounts, securities and documents of the Society, other than such (if any) as are required for carrying on business on account of the same elsewhere, or such as are directed by the Committee to be kept for security elsewhere, shall be kept. In case of any alteration in the registered office, notice shall be sent to the Registrar of Friendly Societies within fourteen days thereafter, in the form provided by the Treasury regulations, under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1876.

Admission of Members.

4.—Every person desirous of becoming a member of this Society shall furnish his name, address, and occupation to the Secretary, to whom he shall pay a proposition fee of One Shilling, and shall within two months of his admission sign his readiness to take out at least one share, and not more than two hundred shares, and pay the first instalment of not less than One Shilling, or, in default of so doing, shall forfeit his proposition fee and right of admission, unless again proposed. The list of proposed members shall be laid before the Committee for approval or disapproval once at least in each week. No person shall be admitted whose husband or wife is already a member, nor any person of the same family, the same being a minor and unmarried. All persons must be admitted by the Committee, but any person aggrieved by their decision shall have the power of appeal through any member to the General Meeting. Any person rejected shall have his proposition fee returned on application. Any body corporate may (if its regulations permit) hold shares in its corporate name, and shall be entitled to send one representative to any meeting of the Society, who shall be possessed of the same privilege as a private member. Every member upon his entrance shall be supplied with a copy of the rules without any charge, but should he afterwards want another copy he shall be charged Threepence for it. No member other than a registered Society shall hold an interest exceeding £200 in the shares of the Society.

List of Members.

5.—At the registered office a list of members' names, trades, and residences shall be kept, and no person shall be deemed a member unless his name appears on this list, and the names of all persons who under these rules cease to be members shall be erased therefrom.

Member's Residence.

6.—When any member changes his residence, he shall, within one month thereafter, give notice thereof to the Secretary, who shall on receiving such notice make the requisite alterations in the list. Any member neglecting to

give notice, or the Secretary neglecting to make the requisite alterations on receiving the notice, shall be fined 3d.

Notices to Members.

7.—All notices shall be deemed duly served by sending or posting the same addressed to the member, at his address inserted in the list.

Capital—How paid up.

8.—The capital of this Society shall be raised in shares of £1 each, which shall not be transferable, except as provided by Rule 10. Each member shall be liable for at least one share, and shall pay not less than 2s. per quarter until he has paid up 5s., and on default of payment the same shall be deducted from his dividend quarterly, until the 5s. be made up. Interest and dividend not withdrawn quarterly shall become share capital. Any member may pay the whole or any part of his subscriptions in advance.

Withdrawal of Shares.

9.—Members may withdraw any sum due to them from the Society (not below 5s.) with the consent of the Committee of Management, or according to the following scale of notice :—

ABOVE								ABOVE			
£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	Wks.	£	s.	d.	Wks.
2	10	0	to	5	0	0	.. 2	70	0	0	to 80
5	0	0	„	10	0	0	.. 3	80	0	0	to 90
10	0	0	„	20	0	0	.. 4	90	0	0	to 100
20	0	0	„	30	0	0	.. 5	100	0	0	to 125
30	0	0	„	40	0	0	.. 6	125	0	0	to 150
40	0	0	„	50	0	0	.. 7	150	0	0	to 175
50	0	0	„	60	0	0	.. 8	175	0	0	to 200
60	0	0	„	70	0	0	.. 9				.. 16

The Committee of Management shall have power to make other arrangements and to pay withdrawals without such notice being given, and shall also have power to suspend withdrawals altogether, if the circumstances of the Society render it necessary. Upon the withdrawal of any member he shall receive payment of the balance then standing to

his credit in the books of the Society, and shall claim all dividend and interest thereon within six months after such withdrawal or forfeit the same to the Society. Should the Society have more cash on hand than they can profitably invest, any General Meeting of the Society shall have power in the first place to pay out all shares held by those members who are not purchasers, and should they still have too much money afterwards, to reduce the number of shares held by its members, the highest being first reduced, but members may allow their surplus funds to remain in the funds of the Society after the time of notice has expired, but shall not receive interest thereon.

Members' Share Account.

10.—Each member shall produce his Cash Book every time any money is paid or withdrawn from his share account.

Lost Books.

11.—In case any member shall have his Cash Book lost, he shall apply to the Committee of Management to be supplied with another, in which case an entry shall be made in a book, to be called a "Record of Lost Cash Books," and on signing the same he shall be entitled to have another, on payment of threepence, with his share account entered in it as it stands in the books of the Society.

Forfeiture of Shares.

12.—When a member has not withdrawn or invested capital, or brought in checks, for six years, and after a notice has been sent through the post to the name and address on the Society's books, intimating that if the share or shares in question are not claimed within one month from the date of the notice, the Committee may cancel such share or shares and place the same to the credit of a reserve fund. The return of the letter through the post shall be taken as *prima facie* evidence of such notice having been sent in accordance with this rule.

Nomination of Members.

13.—The Secretary shall keep a book in which he shall register or record all nominations made by members of the Society of any person or persons not being officers or servants of the Society, unless any such officer or servant is the husband, wife, father, mother, child, brother, sister, nephew, or niece of the nominator, to whom such nominator's shares (the term shares including for the purposes of this rule loans and deposits) shall be transferred at his decease, provided that the amount credited to him in the books of the Society does not exceed £100.

The Secretary shall in like manner record or register all revocations or variations of such nominations by the nominator.

The nominator shall pay 3d. to the Management Fund for the recording or registering of every such nomination, revocation, or variation.

On receiving satisfactory proof of the death of a nominator, the Committee shall, at their option, either transfer the shares in manner directed in such nomination, or pay to any person entitled thereunder the full value of his interest, unless the shares to be transferred to any nominee would raise his interest in the Society to an amount exceeding £200, in which case they shall pay him the full value of such shares, not exceeding the sum aforesaid. An entry of such payment shall be made in the proper book, and thereupon the shares so paid for shall be extinguished. If any member entitled to an interest in the Society not exceeding £100, dies intestate and without having made any nomination which remains unrevoked at his death, such interest shall be transferable or payable without letters of administration, to or among the persons who appear to a majority of the Committee, upon such evidence as they may deem satisfactory, to be entitled by law to receive the same, subject to the provisions of the Provident Nominations and Small Intestacies Act, 1883.

If any member entitled to an interest in the Society not exceeding £100, dies leaving a will and without having made any nomination which remains unrevoked at his death, or if any member entitled to an interest in the Society exceeding £100 dies, such interest shall be transferable or payable only to his executors or administrators, subject as aforesaid.

If any member becomes bankrupt, his interest in the Society shall be transferable or payable to the trustee of his property.

Committee of Management, and how elected.

14.—The Management of this Society shall be vested in a Committee of Management consisting of the President and eight other Committee-men. The President and four other Committee-men shall be elected at the General Meeting held in the month of January, and the remaining four Committee-men at the General Meeting held in the month of July in each year. The term of office shall expire in each case at the expiration of one year from the date of election. The retiring President and Committee-men in each case being eligible for re-election. Nominations for the Committee of Management to take place at the Quarterly Meeting previous to the election, or may be made in writing and sent to the Secretary at least twenty-eight days previous to the meeting at which the next election takes place, together with the person's name and address, and likewise the names of proposer and seconder, which shall be posted with the names and addresses of the retiring Committee-men in some conspicuous place in the store at least seven days before each election takes place. No person shall be eligible for a Committee-man who has not been a member of the Society twelve months, and who does not hold at least one paid-up share in the Society. Any vacancy occurring in the Committee of Management may be filled up at the following Quarterly Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting of members called for that purpose.

Disqualification of President and Committee of Management.

15.—The President or any other member of the Committee of Management shall vacate his office if he holds any other office or place of profit under the Society; if he spends less, or has spent less during the two preceding quarters to his election, than £4 per quarter with the Society, or if he has a relative (the word relative to be defined as meaning blood relations, from cousins to the nearest relatives) employed by the Society; if he becomes bankrupt; if he commences or is interested in any business in direct competition with the Society; or if he is concerned in or participates in the profits of any contract for goods or work done for the Society. Provided that no President or other Committee-man shall vacate his office by reason of his being a member of any Company or Society which has entered into contracts with, or done any work for the Society; nevertheless, he shall not vote in respect of such contract or work; and if he does, his vote shall not be counted.

Power to remove the Committee.

16.—The Committee, or any portion of it, may be removed by a Meeting of the members specially called for that purpose.

Management of Business.

17.—The Committee of Management shall have the control of all business carried on by or on account of the Society, the determination of the persons to be employed therein, the rates of payment to be made for work or service done on account of the Society, and the appointment or removal of the salesmen or other persons necessary for conducting the business, and may assign to such salesmen or persons such duties and salaries as they think fit. The Committee of Management shall meet every Monday evening, at seven o'clock, or at such other time as they may appoint, and any five

of the Committee shall form a quorum ; it shall in all things act for and in the Society's name ; and all acts and orders under the powers delegated to it, shall have the like force and effect as if they were the acts and orders of a majority of the members of the Society at a General Meeting thereof. Every question at such Meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes, and if the votes are equal, the chairman shall have a casting vote. Any two of the Committee may call a Special Meeting thereof by giving one clear day's notice in writing to the Secretary ; but at such Special Meeting no other business than that specified in the notice shall be taken into consideration. The Committee shall convene all Meetings of the Society on such requisitions as are herein mentioned. Any member of the Committee not present at a quarter past the hour of Meeting, shall be fined threepence, unless he can show a reason for his absence to the satisfaction of a majority of the Committee. The Secretary shall keep a record of all members present at each meeting of the Committee. The Chairman of each meeting shall sign the minutes of the proceedings, and all contracts then entered into.

Application of Funds.

18.—All moneys received on account of contributions, donations, admissions, or otherwise, shall be paid to an account to be opened with some bank, selected by the Committee in the name of the Society ; and all such moneys shall be applied towards carrying out the objects of the Society, according to the rules thereof ; and so much of the funds of the Society as are not required for immediate use, or to meet the usual accruing liabilities, under the provisions aforesaid, shall, with the consent of the Committee, be invested by the Society on such securities, in accordance with Rule 23, as the Committee from time to time directs, and such securities shall from time to time, by direction of the said Committee, be sold out, or called in, and the proceeds thereof applied to the engagements of the Society.

Mode of Conducting Business.

19.—The business of the Society shall, as far as possible,

be conducted for ready money, and in no case shall any longer credit than two weeks be allowed, nor shall such credit exceed the amount of three-fourths of the value of the member's share or shares in the Society, and such credit shall be allowed only by and with the consent of the Committee of Management, who may, at the expiration of fourteen days, give such member notice that unless the amount be paid in seven days, the Committee shall have power to pay the credit from such member's investment account.

Duties of President.

20.—The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and should he not be present at any of the Society's meetings the members present shall from amongst themselves elect one to act as chairman on that occasion. The President or person acting in his absence shall sign all contracts, also the minutes of proceedings at each of the Society's meetings, and shall have the casting vote besides his own vote as a member.

Appointment of Secretary.

21.—The Secretary shall be appointed by the members, and remain in office until he resign, or be removed by a resolution of a General Meeting specially called for that purpose. Should a vacancy occur at any time, the first General Meeting after shall fill up the vacancy, and until such vacancy is filled up the Committee shall appoint a person to perform the duties of Secretary.

Duties of Secretary.

22.—The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Society and Committee; he shall record correctly the names of the Committee there present, and the minutes of their proceedings, which he shall transcribe into a book, to be authenticated by the signature of the chairman as the proceedings of the meeting: he shall countersign all contracts, receive proposals for admission, and keep the accounts, documents, and papers of the

Society in such manner and for such purposes as the Committee may appoint, and shall prepare and send the annual and other returns required to be sent to the Registrar of Friendly Societies; he shall receive the contributions, fines, and other payments due to the Society, and shall on all occasions, in the execution of his office, act under the superintendence, control, and directions of the Committee. An Assistant Secretary may at any time be appointed by the Committee of Management.

Investment of Capital.

23.—The Committee of Management shall, if they shall think fit, invest in any Company established under the Companies Acts, or incorporated by Act of Parliament, or by Charter with limited liability, or in any Society under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1876, or the Building Societies Act, or on mortgage, any part of the capital funds of the Society, at such rate of interest, and upon such terms as to repayment or otherwise as may be agreed upon.

Power to Borrow Money.

24.—The Committee may obtain by way of loan from any person, whether or not a member of the Society, for the purposes thereof, from time to time, on the security of bonds signed by three at least of the members of the Committee, and countersigned by the Secretary for the time being, such sums of money as any Special General Meeting of the members sanctions, not exceeding one-half the amount of the declared capital of the Society, at such rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, and subject to such provisions for repayment as are agreed upon such advance. Deposits shall not be received.

Audit of Accounts.

25.—The Committee shall cause the accounts of the Society to be submitted to one or more Auditors, to be elected by the members at the Quarterly Meetings held in the months of January and July, and who shall be eligible for re-election; and shall cause a statement of the accounts of the Society, with all necessary vouchers, up to the last Thursday in the months of March, June, September, and

December, in each year, to be made out and laid before the Auditors, not less than ten days before each Quarterly Meeting of the Society, and shall lay before each such meeting a balance sheet signed by the Auditors, showing the receipts and expenditure, and the assets and liabilities of the Society, together with a statement of the affairs of the Society since the last Ordinary Meeting, and of their then condition, and the auditors shall make to such meetings a report upon the balance sheet so laid before them, and in case they do not adopt the same, or any part thereof, shall specially report thereon to such meeting. Every such balance sheet signed by the Auditors, shall, after it has been approved by any such meeting, be binding upon all members of the Society except as to any error exceeding ten pounds discovered within one calendar month thereafter.

Inspection of Accounts.

26.—The books and accounts of the Society shall be open to the inspection of any member or person having an interest in the funds of the Society, at all reasonable times, at the registered office of the Society, or at any place where the same are kept, subject to such regulations as to the time and manner of such inspection as may be made from time to time by the general meetings, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to produce them (except that no such member or person, unless he be an officer of the Society, or be specially authorised by a resolution of the Society to do so, shall have the right to inspect the loan account of any other member without the written consent of such member).

Payment of Officers.

27.—At any Quarterly Meeting of the Society, the majority of the members present may assign to the Committee, Auditors, or any other officer of the Society, such remuneration as seems to them desirable.

Security from Officers and others.

28.—Every person appointed to any office touching the receipt, management, or expenditure of money for the purposes of the Society, shall give such security as is thought sufficient by the Committee.

Mode of holding Meetings.—Voting.

29.—The Quarterly Meetings of the members shall be held on the last Mondays in the months of January, April, July, and October in each year; the meeting held in the month of January shall be considered as the General Annual Meeting. The meetings shall be held at the principal place of business of the Society, or at such other place as the Committee shall determine. Each member on entering the meeting must produce his share book in proof of membership. No meeting of the Society shall proceed to business unless at least twenty members of the Society be present within one hour of the time of meeting, otherwise, such meeting, if it be the Annual, Quarterly, or a Special General Meeting convened by the Committee, shall stand adjourned till that day week; but if it be convened by notice from the members, shall be absolutely dissolved. But any General Meeting may adjourn from time to time for any period not exceeding fourteen clear days; and no meeting shall be rendered incapable of transacting business by the want of a quorum after the chair has been taken. Every member, shall, in speaking, address the chair, and if two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Chairman shall decide to whom the priority shall be given. No member except the mover shall speak more than once to any one motion or question, unless in explanation or in answer to a call from the chairman, and in that case he shall confine himself strictly to the requisite explanation. The mover shall in all cases be entitled to speak once in making his motion, and once by way of reply. At every Quarterly Meeting the Committee shall present their Report and Balance Sheet, specifying the liabilities and assets of the Society, and containing such particulars as the General Meeting may from time to time determine. Any member wishing to introduce any other business, or to move any resolution not arising out of the report and balance sheet, shall give seven clear days' notice of the same to the Secretary, so that it may be placed on the programme of business for that meeting. The Committee may, of their own authority, call a Special General Meeting at any time, and such meeting shall also be called, upon the requisition

in writing of any thirty members, sent to the Secretary, stating therein the purpose of such meeting, and seven clear days' notice of such meeting shall be posted in a conspicuous place in each of the Society's places of business, specifying the time, place, and objects thereof, and at such meeting no other business can be transacted than the business specified in the notice convening it. All questions shall be decided by a show of hands, unless five members present demand a ballot, in which case it shall be determined by ballot, but no proxies shall be admissible. Each member shall have one vote only.

Division of Profits.

30.—The fixed stock shall be reduced in the following manner, viz. :—A deduction of not less than ten per cent. per annum shall be taken quarterly from the then value of such fixed stock, and also all moneys received for admission or withdrawal, and a deduction of not less than two-and-a-half per cent. per annum shall be taken quarterly from the then value of all land and buildings. Each member shall receive quarterly out of the surplus receipts of the Society, after providing for the expenses thereof in each quarter, interest not exceeding five per cent. per annum upon every paid-up share standing to his account in the books of the Society during the preceding quarter, except for such sum as is set apart for trading purposes. A reserve fund shall be formed by applying one-half per cent. of the net profits, after providing for the preceding charges, and any further sum any Quarterly Meeting may determine, and interest shall be allowed thereon, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, for the purpose of providing against losses in trade, goods, money, or property, but no sums of money shall be taken from this fund for any purpose except by the sanction of a general meeting of the Society, and of which notice shall have been given on the balance sheet. The remainder of the net profits, after providing for the charges herein specified, shall from time to time be applied by direction of the Quarterly Meeting, either to increase the business of the Society, or for any other purpose such quarterly meeting may determine. The remainder shall be divided among

the members of the Society, in proportion to the amount of their purchases at the store during the quarter.

Recovery of Subscriptions.

31.—All sums due from any member under the provisions of these rules, on account of shares, or otherwise, shall be recoverable from him, his executors, or administrators, by legal process, as a debt due to the Society; and the Committee of the Society shall, on the resolution of a Quarterly Meeting, take such proceedings as they deem advisable to enforce the payment of any sum so due.

Complaints and Suggestions by Members.

32.—A member who has any complaint to make as to the quality, quantity, or price of any goods supplied by the Society, or the conduct of any officer or servant of the Society, or any suggestions for better carrying into effect the objects of the Society, shall send the particulars of such complaint or suggestion to the Committee, who shall inquire into and decide upon them, subject to an appeal from any such decision to the next Quarterly Meeting; but no such complaint shall be brought before any such meeting except on appeal.

Settlement of Disputes.

33.—In case of a dispute between the Society and any of its members, or persons claiming on account of a member, or under the rules, or of any complaint against any member or officer, application may be made to a General Meeting of the members of the Society, whose decision shall be final and binding, except reference be made to arbitration. If any dispute arise between any member or person claiming under or on account of any member, or under the rules, and the Committee of Management thereof, it shall be referred to arbitration, for which purpose five arbitrators shall be named and elected, none of them being directly or indirectly beneficially interested in the funds of the Society; and in each case of dispute, the

names of the arbitrators shall be written on pieces of paper and placed in a box or glass, and the three whose names are first drawn out by the complaining party, or by some one appointed by him, shall be the arbitrators to decide the matter in difference; in a case of a vacancy another arbitrator shall be elected at the first Annual General Meeting thereafter. The cost of such reference to arbitration (not exceeding 10s.) shall be paid by the parties in such proportion as the arbitrators shall direct; and the parties requiring the arbitration shall, previous to the matter being gone into, deposit with the Secretary the sum of 10s. to abide the result.

Expulsion of Members.

34.—If a majority of the members present at any special or general meeting are dissatisfied with the conduct or behaviour of any member, they shall have the power of expelling such member from the Society, subject to the approval of the next Quarterly Meeting. The offending member shall have six days' notice, in writing, from the Secretary, informing him of such meeting and the charge brought against him. Any member not making purchases to the satisfaction of the Committee will be liable to be expelled by the Committee; this also to be subject to the approval of the next Quarterly Meeting. Any member expelled shall be entitled to receive the same amount in respect of his interest in the funds of the Society as if he had withdrawn, after deducting therefrom any fines or other money owing to the Society by the offending member.

Dissolution of the Society.

35.—The Society may be voluntarily dissolved, either by a resolution to wind it up, made as is directed in regard to companies by the Companies Act, 1862; or by an instrument of dissolution signed by three-fourths of the members for the time being, and in the form prescribed by the Treasury regulations in force under the Act.

New Rules and Alteration of Rules.

36.—No new Rule shall be made, nor any of the Rules herein contained or hereafter to be made, shall be

amended, altered, or rescinded, unless with the consent of a majority of the members present at a General Meeting of the Society specially called for that purpose. No amendment of rules is valid until registered.

Construction of Rules.

37.—In construing these Rules, words importing the masculine gender shall be taken to apply to a female; and words importing one person or thing shall be taken to apply to more than one person or thing, unless there is anything in the context to prevent such a construction.

Seal of the Society.

38.—The Society shall have its name, "Barrow Co-operative Society, Limited," engraven in legible characters, with the device of "a bee-hive with bees around it, and the words 'Established 1860'" upon its common seal, which shall be in the custody of the Secretary or such other officer as the Committee may direct, and shall be used only under the authority of a resolution of the Committee, the date whereof shall be mentioned on the instrument to which the seal is attached, and shall be attested by the signature of two members of the Committee, and the countersign of the Secretary.

Publication of Name of the Society.

39.—The name of the Society shall be kept printed or affixed on the outside of every office or place in which the business of the Society is carried on, in a conspicuous position, in letters easily legible, and shall be engraven in legible characters on its seal, and shall be mentioned in legible characters in all notices, advertisements, and other official publications of the Society, and in all bills of exchange, promissory notes, indorsements, cheques, and orders for money and goods purporting to be signed by or on behalf of the Society, and in all bills of parcels, invoices, receipts, and letters of credit of the Society.

Rules to be supplied.

40.—The Secretary shall supply to any person on demand, a copy of the Rules, on payment of 3d.

Annual Returns.

41.—Every year before the first of June, the Committee of Management shall cause the Secretary to send to the Registrar the Annual Return, in the form prescribed by the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, required by the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1876, of the receipts and expenditure, funds and effects of the Society, and of the number of members of the same up to the 31st December, then last inclusively, as audited and laid before a General Meeting, showing separately the expenditure in respect of the several objects of the Society, together with a copy of the Auditors' Report, if any. Such returns shall state whether the audit has been conducted by a public auditor, appointed under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1876, and by whom; and if such audit has been conducted by any persons other than a public auditor, shall state the name, address, and calling or profession of each such persons, and the manner in which, and the authority under which, they were respectively appointed. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to provide the Secretary with a sufficient number of copies of the Annual Return for supplying gratuitously, every member or person interested in the funds of the Society, on his application, with a copy of the last Annual Return of the Society for the time being, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to supply such gratuitous copies on application accordingly. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to keep a copy of the last Annual Balance Sheet of the Society for the time being, together with the Report of the Auditors, if any, always hung up in a conspicuous place at the registered office of the Society.

Power to apply to the Registrar for Inspection of the affairs of the Society.

42.—It shall be the right of one-fifth of the total number of members, or if the total number of members shall at any time amount to 1,000 and not exceed 10,000, it shall be the right of 100 members, or if the number shall at any time exceed 10,000, it shall be the right of 500 members, by an application to the Chief Registrar in writing, signed by them in the forms respectively prescribed by Treasury

Regulations in that behalf—

(a)—To apply for the appointment of one or more inspectors, to examine into the affairs of the Society and report thereon;

(b)—To apply for the calling of a special meeting of the Society;

Either such application to be made upon such notice to the Society, and to be supported by such evidence for the purpose of shewing that the applicants have good reason for requiring such application to be made, or meeting to be called, and that they are not actuated by malicious motives in their application, as the Chief Registrar may direct.

JOHN LOMAS, PRESIDENT.

JAMES CLARKSON, SECRETARY.

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JOHN CHARNLEY,		
JOHN BLUNDELL,		
THOMAS HALTON,		
ALLINSON GRAINGER,		

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REGISTRY OF AMENDMENT OF RULES.

The foregoing amendment of the rules of the Barrow Co-operative Society, Limited, is registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1876, this 19th day of December, 1889.

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